

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
**RESOLUTION NO. 2004-0055**

CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING  
ISSUANCE OF A GRANT TO EAST MERCED RESOURCE CONSERVATION  
DISTRICT (DISTRICT) FOR PIN 901, MERCED RIVER ALLIANCE PROJECT  
(PIN 901 PROJECT), UNDER THE CONSOLIDATED WATERSHED PROTECTION,  
WATERSHED MANAGEMENT, AND NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION CONTROL  
GRANTS PROGRAM (CONSOLIDATED GRANTS PROGRAM)

WHEREAS:

1. The State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) released the Consolidated Watershed Protection, Watershed Management, and Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Grants (Consolidated Grants Program) Request for Concept Proposals in March 2003 soliciting project proposals for eight interrelated grant programs from Proposition 13, Proposition 50, and federal Clean Water Act section 319;
2. The SWRCB released the Consolidated Grants Program Request for Full Proposals in August 2003 soliciting full proposals from the most competitive Concept Proposal applicants;
3. The full proposals, including the District's PIN 901 Project, were reviewed for technical merit by review panels consisting of SWRCB and Regional Water Quality Control Board staff, state and federal partner agencies, United States Environmental Protection Agency, California Bay - Delta Authority (CBDA), and several key stakeholders. SWRCB staff also reviewed the full proposals for grant agreement readiness. The projects recommended for funding are those that have shown competitive technical merit and have provided adequate information for grant agreement preparation; and
4. The District's PIN 901 Project was recommended for funding in accordance with the process specified in the Step 1 and Step 2 requests for proposals. The amount of grant funds requested for the Districts' PIN 901 Project is \$2,299,977 from the Proposition 13 CALFED Watershed Management Program. Furthermore, the grant program funding recommendation for this project was recommended for funding in CBDA Resolution No. 04-08-07 dated August 12, 2004.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD

1. Approves the funding for the District's PIN 901 Project not to exceed \$2,299,977 from the Proposition 13 CALFED Watershed Management Program subaccount; and
2. Authorizes the issuance of grant to implement the District's PIN 901 Project.

**CERTIFICATION**

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on September 30, 2004.

  
Debbie Irvin  
Clerk to the Board